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Designating November 6-12, 1988, as "National Women Veterans Recognition Week".

Whereas there are more than 1,200,000 women veterans in the Nation, representing 4.2 percent of the total veteran population; Whereas the number of women serving in the Armed Forces and the number of women veterans continue to increase;

Whereas women veterans have contributed greatly to the Nation's security through honorable military service which in many cases involved great hardship and danger;

Whereas the contributions and sacrifices of women veterans on behalf of the Nation deserve greater public recognition and appreciation;

Whereas the special needs of women veterans, especially in the area of health care, have often been overlooked or inadequately addressed by the Federal Government;

Whereas this lack of attention to the special needs of women veterans has discouraged or prevented many women veterans from taking full advantage of the benefits and services to which they are entitled; and

Whereas designating a week to recognize women veterans in November 1988 will help further important gains made by women veterans following National Women Veterans Recognition Week in November 1984, 1985, 1986, and 1987: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That November 6-12, 1988, is designated as "National Women Veterans Recognition Week", and the President is authorized and requested to issue a proclamation calling upon the people of the United States to observe such week with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities.

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